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Dear Bankruptcy Noticing Recipient:

I am pleased to announce that The United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Maryland, is now offering a new way for you to receive bankruptcy notices from the court. You may now choose to receive overnight bankruptcy notices via Internet e-mail or transmitted as a fax to your office. Electronic noticing will provide notices days faster than the U.S. Mail.

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Sincerely,

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